

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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VINCENT SCOTT COLLINS,

Plaintiff,

-against-

ORDER

20-CV-4551 (RPK) (LB)

LIZETTE WELCH and ELIZABETH PARKER,

Defendants.

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RACHEL P. KOVNER, United States District Judge:

Plaintiff Vincent Scott Collins, proceeding *pro se*, filed this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, asserting claims for defamation and slander. *See* Compl. (Dkt. #1). By letter dated September 25, 2020, the Court informed plaintiff that the complaint was deficient because plaintiff failed to pay the \$400 filing fee or to request to proceed *in forma pauperis* (“IFP”). *See* Notice of Deficient Filing (Dkt. #2). Plaintiff was provided with the IFP form and notified that the deficiency must be corrected within 14 days. *See ibid.*

Plaintiff has not paid the filing fee or submitted an IFP application within the time required. Accordingly, the action is dismissed without prejudice. The Court certifies pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3) that any appeal would not be taken in good faith. Therefore, *in forma pauperis* status is denied for the purpose of any appeal. *Coppedge v. United States*, 369 U.S. 438, 444-45 (1962).

SO ORDERED.

/s/ Rachel Kovner
RACHEL P. KOVNER
United States District Judge

Dated: December 23, 2020
Brooklyn, New York